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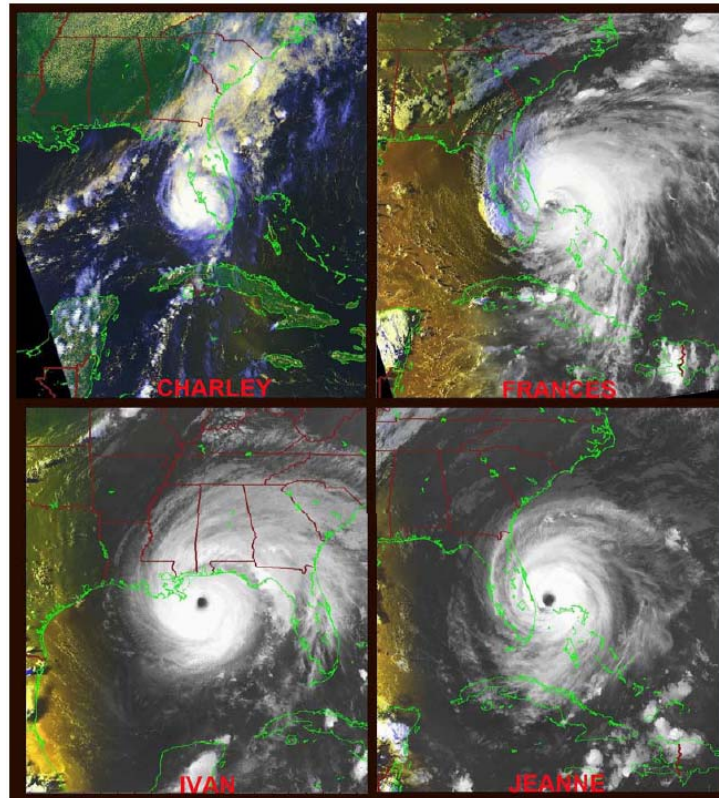


Shore Protection Project Performance Improvement Initiative (S3P2I)

Coastal CoP
May 16, 2006

2004 Florida Hurricane Season

CHARLEY – Cat 4
Aug 14 – Lee County



FRANCES – Cat 2
Sept 5 – Martin County

IVAN – Cat 3
Sept 15 – Gulf Shores, AL

JEANNE – Cat 3
Sept 26 – Martin County



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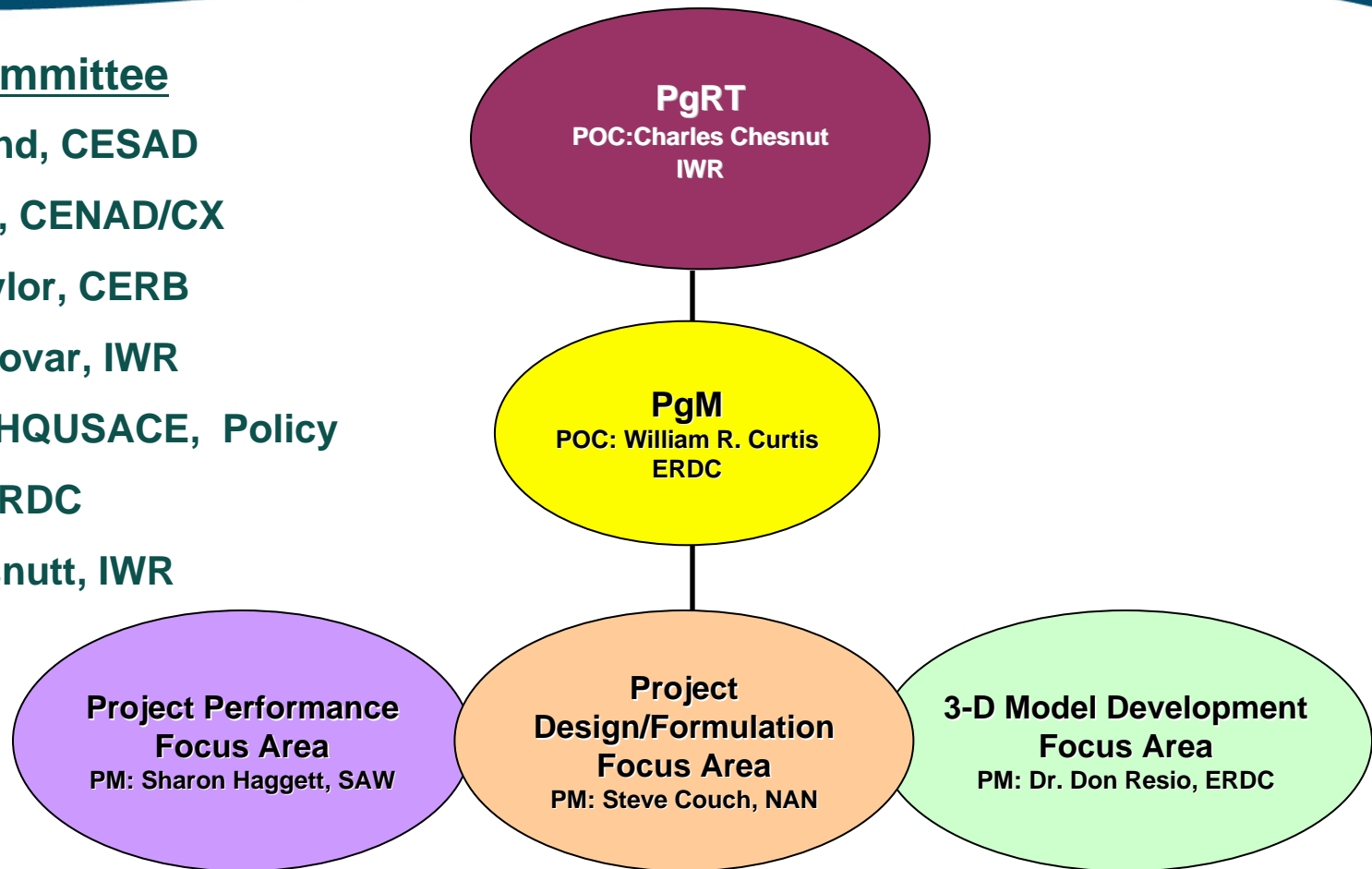
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Project Performance Assessment

- physical response
- economic –national and regional
- environmental
- social

Communicate outcome to coastal management stakeholders

Leverage opportunities to improve future project performance



Companion Initiatives/Opportunities



PL 108-324/84-99: Restore flood control and hurricane shore protection projects to their pre-storm condition (SAD)

USACE – District, MSC, NSMS, CFDCP, RSM Demo, Cx

Other Federal:

e.g., USGS, FEMA, NOAA, DOT, NHC, ONR, ...

Non-Federal:

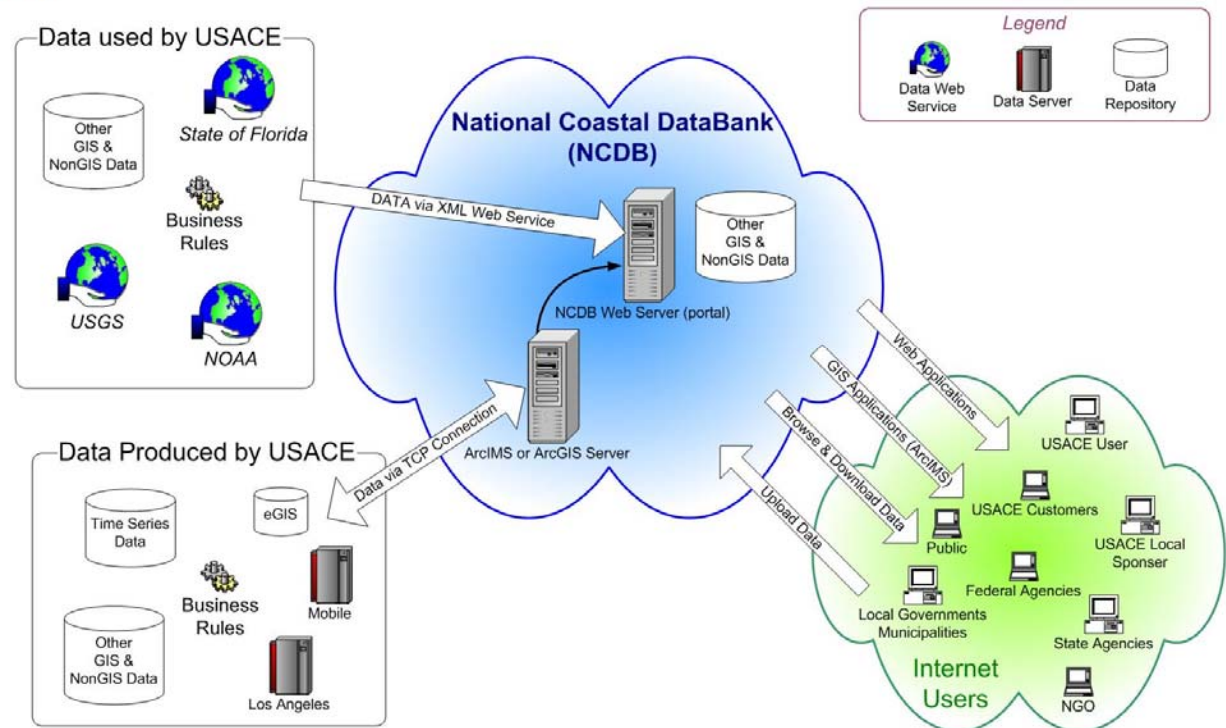
e.g., FL DEP, Local Partners, CSO, TNC...

Data Management



- Develop Pilot
- Web portal and search engine for coastal data and information
- Web application service for various coastal data manipulations, calculations, and analysis tools
- Common goal of data access thru distributed net work (IOOS, eGIS, SWWRP)

Pilot National Coastal Data Bank Implementation





**When a hurricane strikes,
how do shore protection
projects perform?**

After an unusual hurricane season in 2004 – when four hurricanes made landfall in the southeastern United States in just six weeks – the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was presented with a unique opportunity to assess shore protection project performance.

The Corps of Engineers and others will use these findings to improve future projects by better predicting how storms move sediment, change shores, and cause damage.

**SHORE
PROTECTION
ASSESSMENT**

Shore Protection Assessment is an initiative to evaluate how federal shore protection projects performed in the wake of hurricanes Charley, Frances, Ivan, and Jeanne in 2004 and Hurricane Isabel in 2003.

Shore Protection Assessment will answer three questions:

1. How did existing projects perform?
2. How can future projects be improved?
3. Can we better predict how hurricanes change shores?

SIGNIFICANCE

There have been few opportunities to determine how shore protection projects respond to a series of hurricanes affecting the same geographic region within a short time. Shore Protection Assessment is a unique opportunity for a comprehensive and coordinated technical evaluation. Lessons learned will be applied in developing future projects. Shore Protection Assessment will ensure stewardship of federal tax dollars by improving the way shore protection projects are planned, designed, constructed, and maintained.

A multidisciplinary team of experts from the Corps and other federal agencies, state governments, local partners, and contractors are collaborating on this initiative. The Corps is working closely with representatives of the Coastal Engineering Research Board, National Shoreline Management Study, Planning Center of Expertise for Hurricane and Storm Damage Prevention, and other partners on this program.

**2004:
Four hurricanes make landfall
in the southeastern United States**

Hurricane Charley, a Category 4 storm, struck the southwest Florida coast on Aug. 13, 2004.

Hurricane Frances, a Category 2 storm, hit the central east coast of Florida on Sept. 6, 2004.

On the heels of Frances came Hurricane Ivan on Sept. 16, 2004, a Category 3 storm near Gulf Shores, Alabama.

By the time Hurricane Jeanne, a Category 2 storm, made landfall on the central east coast of Florida on Sept. 25, 2004, it marked the first time since 1898 that a state had been affected by four hurricanes in one tropical storm season.

**2003:
Hurricane Isabel strikes**

After making landfall on Sept. 18, 2003, Hurricane Isabel left behind significant damage along her path in North Carolina and Virginia.

All five of these hurricanes caused wind, wave, flooding, and erosion damage, affecting 24 federal shore protection projects in the region. Shore Protection Assessment will evaluate data collected from the 2004 storms as well as from Hurricane Isabel, which provides another valuable point of reference.

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Products

- Fact Sheet on Shore Protection Assessment
- 2004 Hurricane Overview sheet
- Individual 2004 Hurricane Primers
- Role of Corps and Shore Protection (in progress)
- Storm Ashore (in progress)

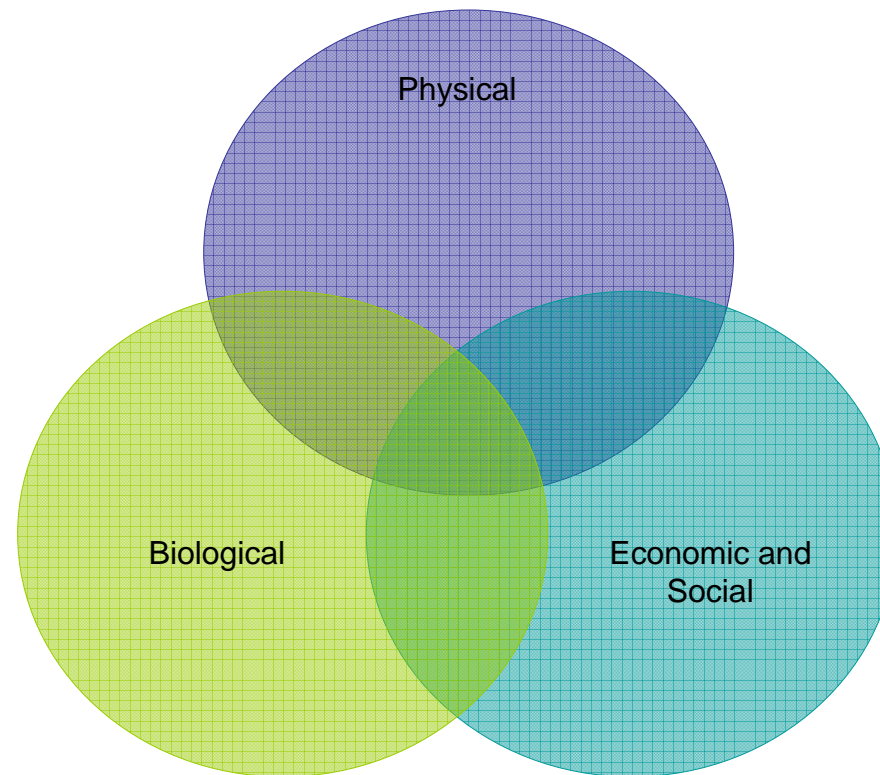
External

- Clean Beaches Summit - Nov. '05
- CERB Presentation - Nov. '05
- Coastal Voice Article - Feb. '06
- Planning Ahead Article - Feb. '06
- Florida Shore BPA - Feb. '06
- ASBPA Presentation - March 3rd, '06
- Congressional

Internal

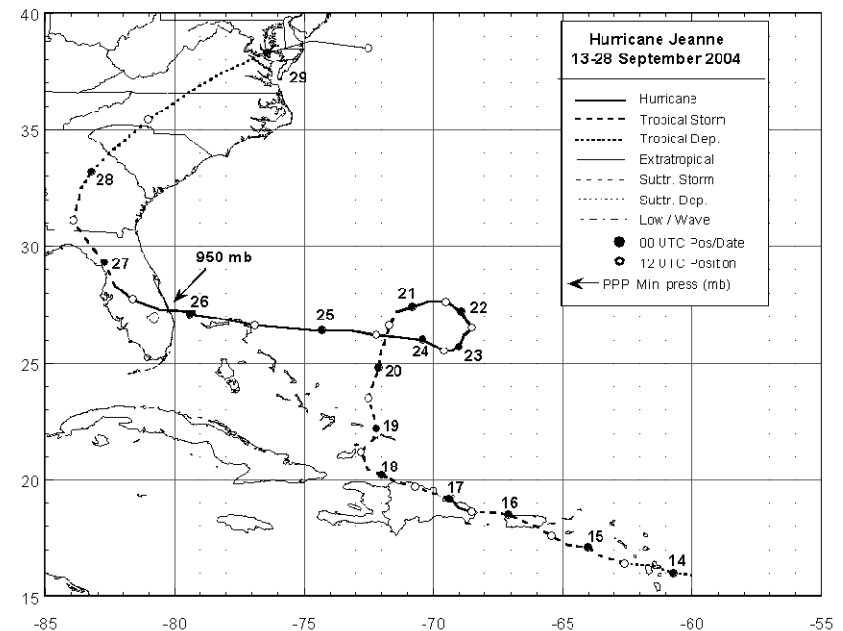
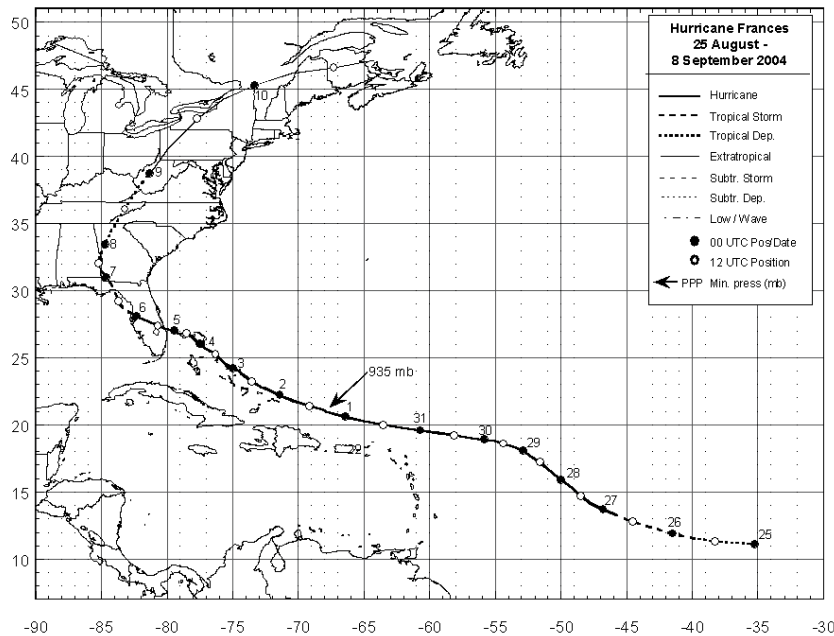
- Public Affairs Offices
- General Walsh - Feb. 24th, '06
- Planning CoP - Feb. & May '06
- Coastal CoP - May '06
- Technical Coordination - Ongoing
 - Intra S3P2I
 - Extra S3P2I

Performance Assessment

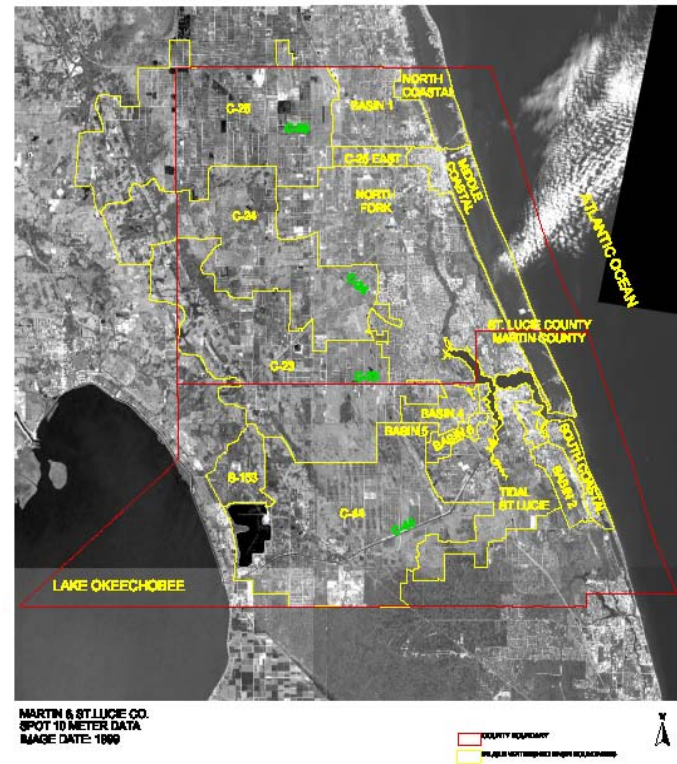


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Case Study: Martin County, FL

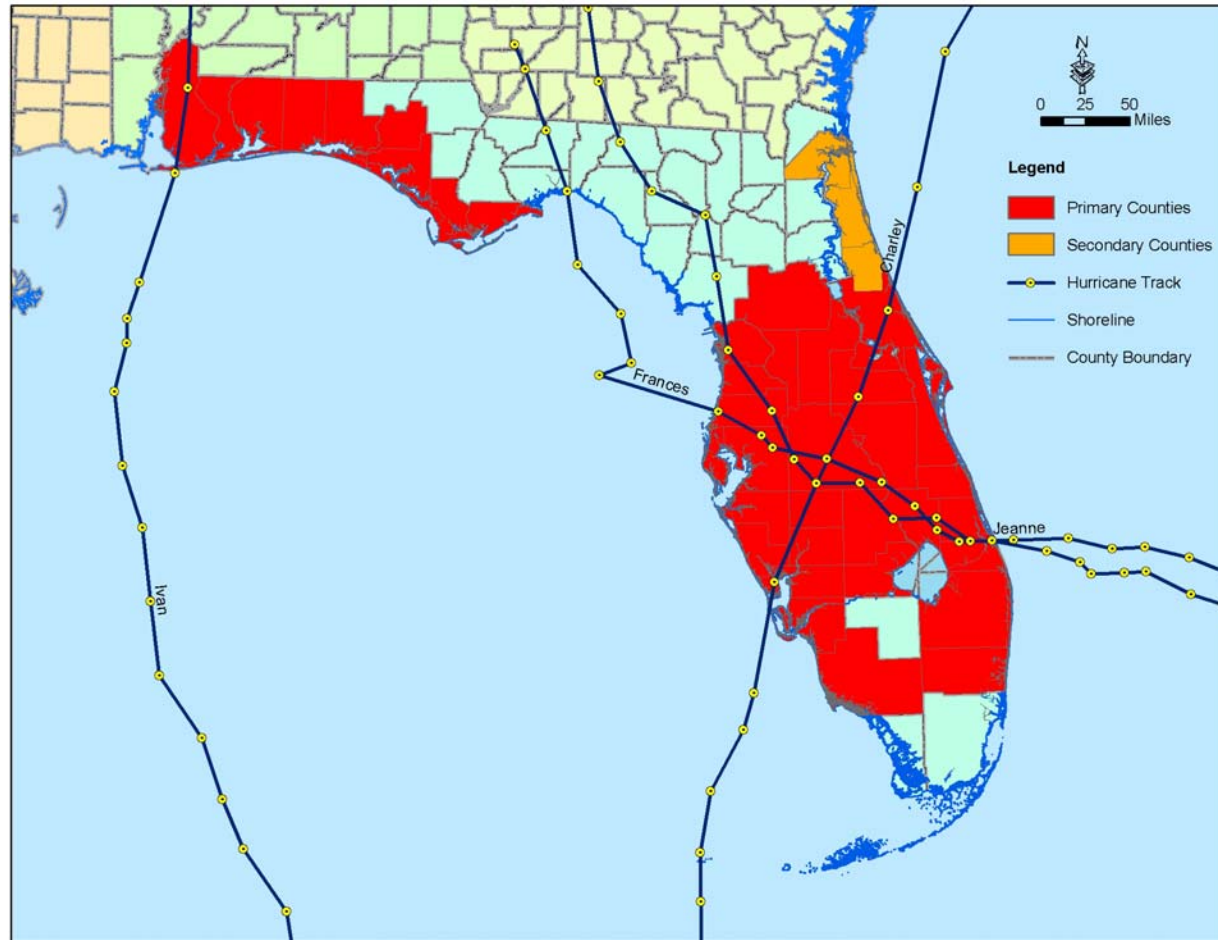


Watershed Assessment



- Watershed Description
- Federal and non-Federal Projects
- Historical Information
- Water Management Strategies
- Historical Weather Events and Past Project Performance
- 2004 Storm Characteristics
- Hydrologic Information
- Water Quality Data
- Sediment Management Issues
- FIND Activities
- Bank Stability Issues
- Muck Removal
- Impacts to Navigation
- State of Florida Proposals
- Project-related Economic Considerations
- Watershed-wide Economic Considerations
- Hard bottom Impacts
- Breaches of Barrier Islands
- Habitat Impacts
- Fish Kills
- Aquatic Vegetation
- Best Management Practices
- Cultural Resources

2004 Florida Hurricane Season





Design and Formulation Improvement



Objective:

Review design and formulation procedures relative to projects affected by the tropical events of 2004 (and others) to identify and recommend beach nourishment formulation and design improvements that could be incorporated into the planning process

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Design and Formulation Improvement



Products:

- Documentation of Current Formulation and Design Procedures, and proposed changes
- Risk-based Beach Fill Design Guidelines
- Risk-Based Evaluation Guidelines (Beach-Fx Lifecycle Model, Operational Guidelines)
- Project Implementation, Monitoring and Maintenance Guidelines
- Recommendations for Incorporation of Changes in Corps Guidance and Regulations

- Risk-based analysis procedures to quantify the role of dunes, berms, transitions, hard structures, and non-structural measures in storm damage reduction analyses
- Beach-*fx* operational guidelines for field application of the model
- Renourishment optimization procedures including borrow area characterization and erosional hot spot characterization
- Optimized emergency fill procedures

Beach-*fx* operational guidelines for field application of the model including

- **Estimation of out-of-placement area project benefits**
- **Quantification of the protective benefit of the advanced nourishment section**
- **Interaction between separate construction reaches and project design optimization**

Consistent framework for design and formulation of shore protection projects

- Enhance effectiveness of Regional Business Centers & Planning Center of Expertise
- Efficient Technical and Policy reviews

Objective

Develop and verify a community 3D coastal simulation and prediction capability with emphasis on storm-driven events



Phase I: Prototype Demonstration

- **2-Year Development Effort**
- **1-Year Demonstration/Testing**
- **2004 FL Hurricane Season Demo**

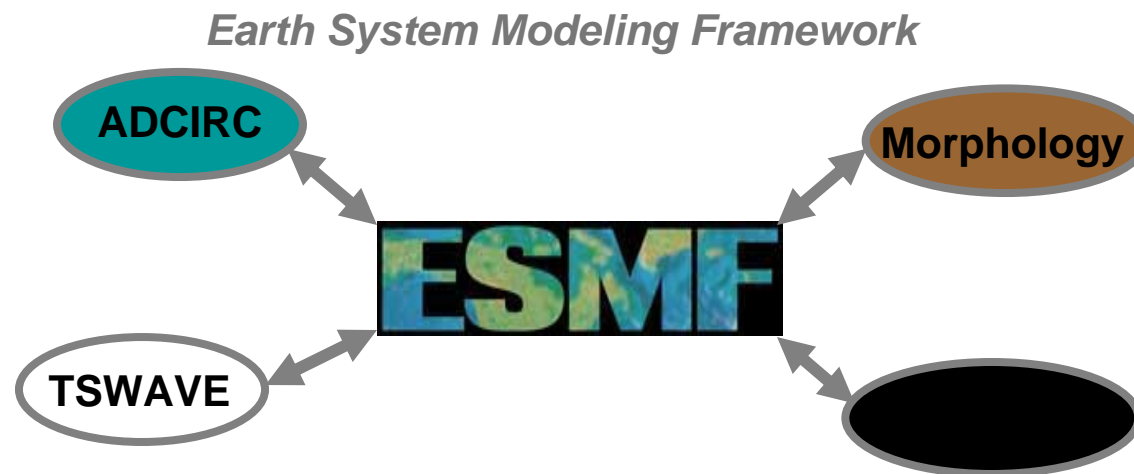
Phase I Coastal Predictions



- Storm Waves
- Storm Surge
- Coastal Currents
- Coastal Flooding
- Sediment Erosion / Deposition
- Coastal Morphology
- Barrier Island Breaching

Community System Focus Area

- Open-Source Community Model
- Certified Applications Upon Completion of VAA
- Convenient Module Selection
- Global GIS Capability
- Efficient Delivery Mechanism
- Community Outreach and Training

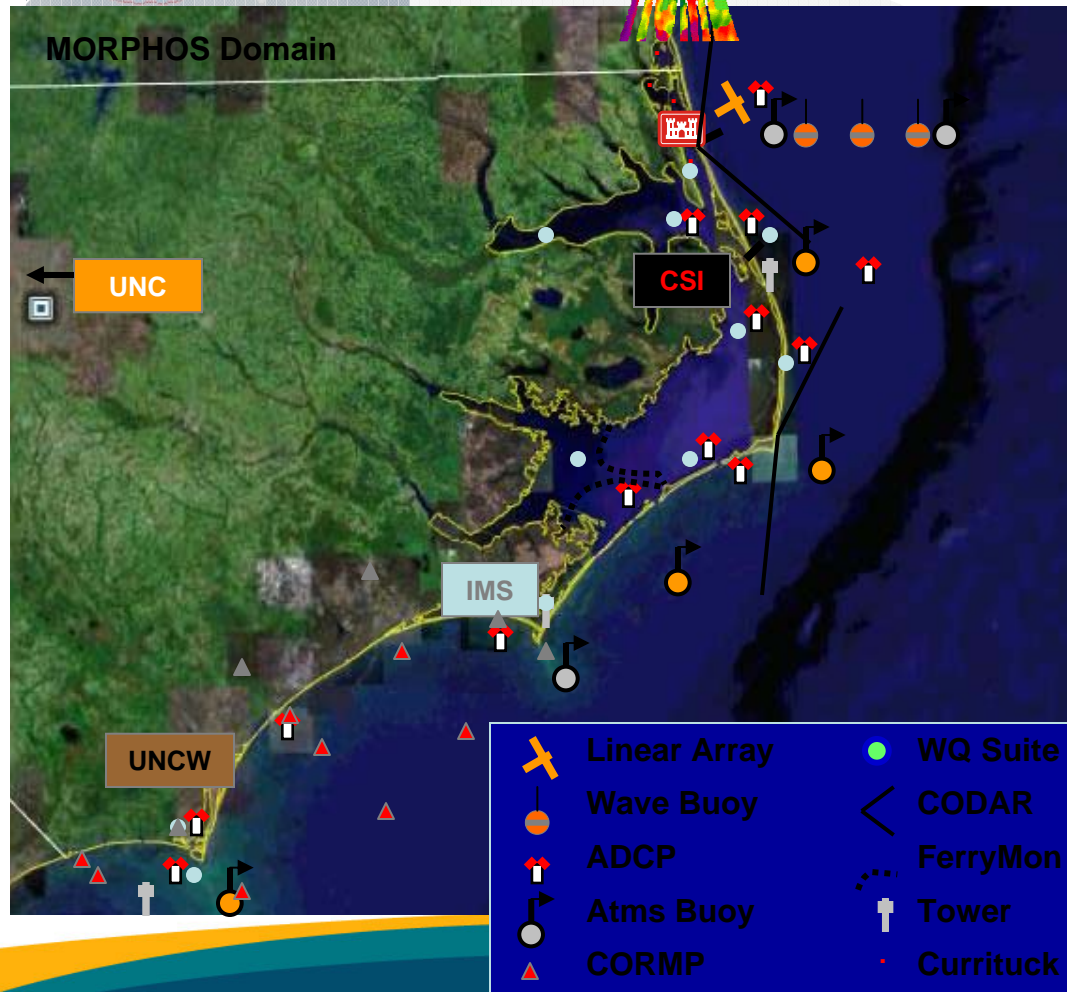
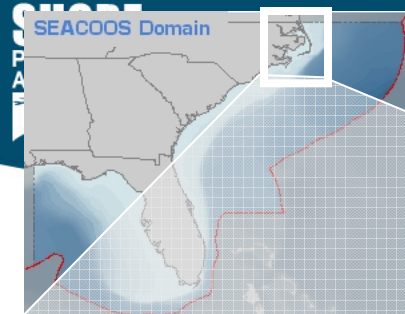


A Multi-Agency Partnership: NOAA, USGS, NASA, NAVY, and others...

Community Coastal and Estuarine Instrumented Test Range



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Corps Benefits

- Natural Laboratory for Model Development and Benchmarking
- Focused Support of District Projects
- MORPHOS Test, Evaluation and Training

Community Benefits

- Operational Observations / Forecasts
- Impact/Response Modeling
- Pooling of Multi-agency Resources for a Common Regional Observing System

Potential Partners

- USACE Wilmington District
- Coastal Studies Institute
- UNC / Institute of Marine Science
- UNCW / CORMP
- ECU
- NOAA NWS
- SEACOOS
- State and Local Governments